

WE ALL AGREE THAT THE CHIEF MENACE ON THE HIGHWAY IS THE DRIVER WHO DOESN'T DRIVE THE WAY WE DO.—Bill Vaughn.

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Local Schools Giving Christmas Programs Friday

Junior Primary:
Away In The Manger, School; Welcome To Our Tree, Jean Robertson; Smiles of Welcome, Norris Stevens; Address of Welcome, Sharon Bell; Welcome, David Lowell; A Welcome, Eileen Saunders; Please Do Not Notice, Linda Libby; A Wish, Vivian Brown; Why I'm Here, Robert Remington; Merry Christmas, Beth Sargent; Welcome Christmas Day, Sylvia Kimball; A Christmas Wish, Howard Chapman; It Might Happen, Jo Ann Bryant; The Reason, Dennis Jackson; Santa's Whiskers, Stephen Trivard.

Last Christmas Wishes, Kathy Klitredge; Why? Heidi Gilnes; If You Were Only Five, Wendy Wheeler; A Greeting, Barbara Sue Wheeler; Scaring Santa, John Buck; A Joke on Santa, Nancy Chapin; A Mouse's Christmas Letter, Jeffrey Brown; A Possibility, David Thurston; Santa's Boy, George Angevine; Big In a Way, James Lowe; Too Small, Parker Conner; Jolly Old Santa, Ricky Ryerson; Jingle Bells, School; A Happy Christmas Day, Leah Swain; Scared, Gerald Nowlin; Jack Horner, Larry Smith; Small Things, Carlene Mills; A Happy Day, Robert Herring; Santa's Brownies, Harlan Bean; The Merriest Day, Laurel Brown; All Dressed Up, Richard Paine;

Short Greetings, Robert Lowell; Twinkles, Sylvia York; Christmas Greeting, Merton Brown; I Know A Day, Pamela Williams; It Helps, Robert Baker; Christmas Hurry, Ivory Currier Jr.; Small Speeches, Scott Bean; The Anxious Walter, Elyse Haines; The Brave Candle, Stephanie Faudt; A Closing Verse, Wanda Tibbetts; In Closing, Richard Sweetser; Good Bye, Mark Walker; Silent Night, School.

Grade I (Mrs. Van's):
Jolly Old St. Nicholas, All; Our Greeting, Rebecca Keniston; Dolly's Christmas Tree, Brenda Sweetser; A Yuletide Question, Edwin Sloan; If Santa Claus Should Fall, Roy Libby; A Dilemma, Linda Jackson; Our Chimney, John Poland and Clayton Rice; The Christmas Star, Victoria Robertson; A Letter to Santa Claus, Ronald Logan; Santa's Assistant, Charles Ray; Christmas Riddles, Warren Tibbetts, Charles Pendleton, Jr., Raymond Trapp; A Joke on Santa, Merry York; Up on the Housetops, All; Santa's Whiskers, Allan Walker; When Santa Comes, Charles Pendleton Jr.; Why I'm Here, Rhonda Brown;

Particular, Rachel Keniston; Santa and Me, John McMillin; A Silly In Time, Ruth Witter; An Alteration, Robert Saunders; A Greeting, Shirley Morrill; A Possibility, Michael Tibbetts; A Better Way, Barry Salway; Why I'm So Good, Wendall Sweetser; Holly Wreaths, Maryvonne Rolfe, Rachel Keniston, Mary Morrill, Rebecca Keniston and Victoria Robertson; Silent Night, All; Good-Night, Mary Lowell.

Grade I (Mrs. Gile):
A Welcome, Michael Hutchins; I'd Like to Know, Kathleen Brown, Mary Anne Bartlett, Larry Billings, Michael Bates, David Carter; That Shocking Shocking, Alan Curtis.

The Week in Oxford County

The minstrel show, "Those Good Old Days," was presented at the Norway Opera House Wednesday evening. The proceeds will go to the family of Jerry Hackas, who is partially paralyzed from an accident in Poland last summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Carver, Mexico, observed their 51st wedding anniversary last Thursday. They were honored with open house at the home of their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Earl C. Davis on Fourth Street, Mexico.

Spark from a welding torch touched off the fire which destroyed the sawing department of Swain's mill at East Andover last Saturday. Loss was reported around \$15,000.

The exterior of the addition to Buckfield High School is completed. The auditorium and stage, two class rooms, home economics room and cafeteria is being constructed by Kenneth Bunker, Mercer.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Zeller of Weld were hospitalized in Rum-

COMMENTS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

It may be of interest to you to know that during the last eight months we have distributed almost two tons of food: 520 lbs. of cheese, 480 lbs. of butter, 322 lbs. of dried milk powder, 180 lbs. shortening, 1,800 pound of potatoes and 200 lbs. of dry beans to those people who have needed some assistance and have met the requirements of the State Welfare Department.

We have been very glad to render a little assistance in distributing the clothing brought in to us. We wish to call attention to the several organizations and people who have also done a lot in this respect. Mrs. Gladys Bear for the Legion Auxiliary, Methodist Guild, Bethel Girl Scout Patrol No. 4, and Congregational Church.

Due to the Christmas week end we plan to have the Town office open from 7 o'clock to 9 o'clock Wednesday and Thursday evenings, Dec. 22 and 23. It will be closed Friday noon, Dec. 24, until Monday morning, Dec. 27.

O. T. Rozella

LOCAL HOSPITAL AUXILIARY GIVES INHALATOR, BASINETT

The Bethel Auxiliary of the Rumford Community Hospital has completed its first year as an organization in the community and it seems only proper at this time that many thanks should be extended to the members and friends who have made the various projects so successful.

The membership voted at the December meeting to purchase a Telford Inhalator for the Hospital which has been desired by the staff for some time. The Inhalator is a self-administered anesthetic used in minor surgery.

Also it was voted to purchase the first of what is hoped to be many new metal bassinets to replace the old iron ones used for many years in the nursery. These bassinets are made to give the utmost security against infection as each contains the infant's individual needs while in the Hospital. We hope that through your continued support the Bethel Auxiliary will be able to eventually replenish the nursery, as well as make its annual contributions from the Hospital Fair Booth.

Away In The Manger, Grade I: Welcoming Bells, Harriett Hillier; Jack Frost's Greeting, Jack Brooks; Dolly's Christmas, Donna Breault; Merry Christmas, Andy Buck, Linda Felt, Mike Chretien, Jackie Brooks, David Foy, Sharon Coallidge; Sharon Lee Batchelder, Harriett Hillier, Douglas Boynton, Renee Rosenberger, Chester Brown, Nellie Brown, Owen Brown, Ronald Brown; Christmas Bells, Song, Harriett Hillier, Renee Rosenberger, Mary Anne Bartlett, Jackie Brooks; Sing a Song, Barbara Douglass; Good Night, Karen Clough.

Grade II (Mrs. Brown):
A Christmas Welcome, Daniel Davis; Song, Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer, Clara; The Popcorn Ball for Me, Linnie Buck; Xmas Action Verse, Bethany Bean; Song, Away in a Manger, three girls and five boys; Santa's Whiskers, David Brown; Being Good Before Christmas, Robert Chapman; Busy Minds, Barbara Hutchinson, Donna Davis, Jacklyn Crouse, Louanna Brown; A Christmas Speech, Timothy Hutchins; If I Were a Mouse, Willard Boynton; Song, Up on the Housetops, Class; My Grandma, Roger Dock; Continued on Page Five

MRS. ARTHUR B. RAMSDALL

Mrs. Elizabeth L. Ramsdell, wife of Arthur B. Ramsdell, died Wednesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Olive Lurvey, after a long illness.

She was born Aug. 24, 1873, in Freeman, the daughter of Leonard and Angella Tuttle Lucas. She was educated in the Freeman schools and lived in Farmington 43 years. For the past 18 years she and Mr. Ramsdell had lived with their daughter in Bethel.

Besides her husband, she is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Dan T. Adams of Farmington, Mrs. William T. Bean of Portland, and Mrs. Olive Lurvey of Bethel; a son, Sherman, of Farmington; a sister, Mrs. Herbert J. Mosher of Farmington; three grandchildren, four great grandchildren and seven nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 1 p. m. from the Adams funeral home, Farmington. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, Farmington.

MRS. ARTHUR H. BROWN

Mrs. Myrtle M. Brown of Milton Plantation died Friday, Dec. 10, at the CMG Hospital, Lewiston, where she had been a patient eight weeks. She was born Dec. 25, 1900, at Waterville. She was a member of the Extension Service. Surviving are her husband, Arthur H. and a son, Arthur R., Milton Plantation.

Funeral services were held at the Meader and Son funeral home, Rumford, at two o'clock Monday afternoon. Rev. Harold R. Yates officiated and burial was in Abbott's Mills cemetery.

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Irving Cummings is a patient at the Tugus hospital.

The December meeting of the MEC has been postponed to Jan. 11.

Miss Ruth Donahue of Boston spent the week end at her home in town.

Mrs. Lee Hutchins is a surgical patient at the Rumford Community Hospital.

Michael Coburn is a surgical patient at the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary, Portland.

Mrs. Ralph Young returned home Saturday from the Robert Brigham Hospital in Boston.

The PTA met Wednesday evening at Crescent Park School. Sixth grade mothers were hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Thurston left Sunday for Houston, Texas, where they will spend the holidays with their son, Howard.

Mrs. Frank Nary is ill at her home. Mrs. Nettie Aspinall of Limerick is spending some time at the Nary home.

Miss Phyllis Chadbourne, a senior at Bradford Junior College, Bradford, Mass., is at home for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Robert Herring and children of Quonset Point, R. I., are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Donahue.

Friends of S. Elwood Thompson of Auburn are sorry to learn of his illness. It is expected that he will be able to resume his piano tuning work about March 1.

The 13 Club met Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Addison Saunders. Prizes for the evening were as follows: Low—Mrs. Heward Waldron, Traveling—Mrs. Dana Brooks; High—Mrs. Murray Thurston.

The Couples Club of the Methodist Church met Friday evening, Dec. 10, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Paine. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Eastman, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keniston, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Paine.

The Hospital Fair Committee met Friday, Dec. 10, at the home of Mrs. Murray Thurston. A nominating committee was appointed as follows: Mrs. Kimball Ames, Mrs. Philip Chadbourne, and Mrs. Earlon Paine. There will be election of officers at the next meeting on Friday, Jan. 7, at the home of Mrs. Wallace Saunders with Mrs. Frank Lowell assisting.

SHORTEST DAYS ALL NEXT WEEK

Beginning Sunday, Dec. 19, will be the seven shortest days of the year, eight hours and 50 minutes. The day's length will increase one minute the following Sunday. The sun will continue to rise later until Jan. 2, when it appears at 7:16, but the sunsets become later one minute on Saturday, Dec. 18, after four days' setting at four o'clock. These are Maine Farmers' Almanac figures.

Yule Reunions Add To Fire Hazards

The "gathering of the clan" traditional at Christmas is a pleasant custom, but calls for special fire safety precautions, warns the National Board of Fire Underwriters.

For several days each year, this custom fills many homes with more people than normally live there. Some of them may have indifferent fire safety habits. All are in a holiday mood, which may make them less careful than usual. Add to that the fact that the usual winter fire hazards are present—greater than at any other season.

If you are playing host this year the National Board suggests you take a few basic precautions before the first guest arrives:

1. Make sure there are plenty of ashtrays strategically located in every room in the house.
2. See that the stove is clean and ready for the big cooking job ahead.
3. If some of your guests will be children, put all matches, cigarette lighters and other dangerous objects safely out of their reach.
4. As long as your company stays, keep these safety tips in mind: If you're heating more rooms than usual, don't try to "force" your furnace if it won't take the added load. Call an experienced repairman instead.
5. Keep portable heaters away from combustibles, and also out of people's way.
6. Keep order in the kitchen. Several extra people all offering to help can cause a "traffic jam" in which someone may lean too far over a lighted burner, or tip over a pot of scalding liquid.
7. If more electrical appliances than usual are being used—space heaters, for example—don't overload circuits. Fifteen ampere fuses are the safe size for most household circuits, and if a fuse blows some appliances should be switched to another outlet.
8. Guests have responsibilities, too. If you are going to be a guest instead of a host, see that you and your entire family are on your best fire-safety behavior. It is as wise to be prepared for an emergency. Just as you always note the location of the nearest fire escape in a hotel, when you are an overnight guest in someone's home figure out two ways of reaching the ground from the room in which you sleep.

NOTED SPEAKER HERE

Rev. Margaret K. Henrichson spoke in West Parish Congregational Church on Dec. 9. This rural preacher who has become famous in a few months is unspoiled and wholesome in spite of her success as an author. She considers being a country parson a great privilege, she would not change her job and she preaches at six churches every Sunday. The Ladies Club sponsored her appearance and she was the house guest of Mrs. A. Van Den Kerckhoven.

WATCH OUT FOR

NO TRAFFIC FATALITIES IN MAINE ON S-D DAY

According to State Police there were no traffic deaths in Maine on Safe-Driving Day yesterday, and only seven personal injury accidents reported. The average December day has 34 accidents involving 60 motorists, and one fatality every two days.

"A Citizens Public Expenditure Survey defines a taxpayer as 'one who doesn't have to pass a civil service exam to work for the government.'"—Clinton (Mass.) Item.

Good Christmas Trees FOR SALE
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BETHEL RESTAURANT
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(Under New Management Oscar and Barbara Sweetser)

Enjoy a meal or lunch where coffee is 5c a cup with meal or a sandwich.

Workingman's Special
(6 Days a Week, 95c, includes coffee and dessert)

Cheeseburgers	30c	Hamburgers	25c
Pies	15c	Hot Dogs	15c

SNOW REMOVAL AIDED BY OFF-STREET PARKING

With the arrival of the snow removal season the attention of Bethel village citizens is called to Section 11 of Schedule I of the Parking Regulations of the Bethel Village Corporation as adopted May 22, 1944, which follows:

"SECT. 11. NO PARKING TO HINDER SNOW REMOVAL. NO vehicle shall be parked at any time on any public street or way so as to interfere with or hinder the removal of snow from the street by the Town of Bethel by plowing, loading and hauling. The Road Commissioner or his authorized representative or his police officer may cause any vehicle so parked on any street or way so as to interfere with or hinder the removal of snow by the Town of Bethel by plowing or loading and hauling, to be removed from the street or way and placed in a suitable parking space off of the street, at the expense of said owner of such vehicle."

LEGION COUNCIL MEETS WITH BETHEL UNIT

Mundt-Allen Unit of the American Legion Auxiliary entertained the Oxford County Council, Tuesday evening at the Legion home, with the following units being represented: Rumford, West Paris, Locke Mills, Buckfield, Dixfield, Norway and South Paris. Following the supper served at 8:30, the ladies enjoyed a Christmas tree with exchange of gifts.

The next meeting will be held at Norway on the third Tuesday in January. It was announced that supper will be served at this meeting.

The Legion and Auxiliary will have the Christmas party for members and their children at 4:30 p. m. Sunday. Those who are not solicited are to bring cookies or cake.

V. A. LISTS BEST GIFTS FOR HOSPITALIZED VETERANS

The Veterans Administration says the best gifts for veteran-patients in order of preference are:

- (1) Personal visit Christmas Day or during Christmas week.
- (2) Long, friendly, newsworthy letter.
- (3) \$1.00 or \$5.00 coupon books bought at any VA hospital.
- (4) Stationery, fountain pens, mechanical pencils, stamps.

CHRISTMAS CAROLLING

The Missionary Volunteers of the Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist Church are preparing to sing Christmas carols during Christmas week in the surrounding communities to cheer shut-ins who cannot go out to enjoy the activities of the Christmas season.

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EDITORIAL

Eliminate Fire Hazards

The yearly epidemic of home heaters while they are lighted. Do fires with its attendant loss of life already far on its way. Steadfast of the daily reports of the many needless occurrences of this type excites the sympathy of all of us for those who have lost relatives, friends or property, and condemnation for those whose carelessness may have been responsible in each case.

If we who are thus aroused are prompted to survey the safety prospects in our own homes and surroundings some progress may be gained toward one less future fire. Apparently unavoidable as many fires may be, it is well known that the cause of home safety can be immeasurably advanced by the practice of ordinary simple precautions.

First: Never leave small children, asleep or awake, in your home (house or apartment) alone. After this, there is nothing beyond the limits of ordinary common sense rules to guide us. See that all heating equipment is clean and in good repair. Have a screen in front of open fire. Know that chimneys are clean and free of cracks. Do not fill portable oil

heaters while they are lighted. Do not overload electrical circuits. Avoid clutter. Christmas trees offer one of the greatest hazards. The advice of the National Board of Fire Underwriters is worth heeding. They say:

1. Choose a small tree rather than a large one.

2. Store it outdoors until a day or two before Christmas.

3. When you bring it in, stand it in water and set it in a cool part of the house, away from radiators, heaters and fireplaces. Don't let it block an exit.

When you decorate your tree remember these things:

1. Be sure every lighting set and electric cords you use is in good condition—no worn or frayed wires, no loose sockets. (Naturally, you never use candles.)

2. When you buy new sets or cords, look for the UL label. The ones that bear it have passed Underwriters' Laboratories tests for fire and shock hazards.

3. Provide a switch some distance from the tree for turning tree lights on and off.

Economic Highlights

Happenings That Affect the Future of Every Individual — National and International Problems Inseparable from Local Welfare.

The genesis of all material progress is found in endless research and experiment. Articles running the gamut from machines to drugs may have their roots in discoveries that were made in past centuries and which had no practical value at the time. They may be the whole which is made up of parts contributed by scores or even hundreds of scientists, living in different eras and different lands.

The December issue of *Fortune* offers a graphic example of this. The newest, addition to the arts and techniques of mass communication is television. The first experimental U. S. broadcasts were made only about a quarter-century ago and the first regular broadcasts didn't start until 1933. Progress in both broadcasting and receiving equipment has been astonishing. But, as *Fortune* points out, television never had an inventor. It was, instead, a development, and is the result of a century and a half of experimentation and research, "much of it conducted by inspired dreamers who had no way of knowing where their work was leading." Scientists from a long list of nations made essential contributions — the United States, Italy, France, England, Germany, Holland and Sweden.

It is obvious that, in these chaotic and swift moving times, any nation which fails to keep up with the march of research—both fundamental and applied—is inviting trouble. And, according to an article contributed to the *Journal of Commerce* by William C. Foster, President of the Manufacturing Chemists' Association, we are lagging behind in fundamental research—both in comparison with our needs and with advances in

other countries, particularly Soviet Russia. He points out, incidentally, that it is difficult to narrowly define the term fundamental research, and for the purposes of his discussion he regards it as any research which produces new fundamental knowledge. Also he does not think that the scientist engaged in fundamental research should be regarded as superior to one engaged in application research—that is, research which has a definite objective, whether it be a new drug or a new bomb. Both types of research, he believes, are of equal importance.

Much fundamental research is done by industries. Yet there are obstacles here. As Mr. Foster says, "most fundamental research is highly speculative." A business concern naturally expects its research investment, like any other investment, to show a reasonable return in a reasonable length of time. The shorter-range objectives usually are given precedence. So, to quote him again, "Experience has shown that industrial laboratories are not the environment best suited to produce results in fundamental research."

As a consequence, a number of companies, both within and without the chemical industry (which budgets some \$300,000,000 a year for research) are making substantial contributions to college, university and other laboratories removed from the commercial world. The only restriction is that the funds be used for fundamental research alone.

In Mr. Foster's view, "The problem is here now, but the solution is a long way off. More support, both moral and financial, is needed, and American industry has the great reason to provide it." It is only our prospects for future material advancement but our security and survival as a nation.

V. A. NEWS-LETTER

December 31 is the deadline for all veterans who have been discharged from active duty longer than one year, to file for service-connection for dental care from the Veterans Administration.

At L. Stoddard, Manager, Veterans Administration Center, Togus, Maine, explained, while making this announcement, that there are special groups of veterans exempt from this deadline:

1. Disabled World War II and post-Korean veterans undergoing vocational rehabilitation under Public Laws 16 and 891, who need care for dental disabilities or conditions in order to prevent relapse of their training.

2. American War veterans, including those of the Philippine Insurrection and the Boxer Rebellion, who need outpatient care for dental disabilities or conditions.

3. Three veterans requiring dental care because their dental condition is aggravating a service-connected disability.

Any veteran discharged less than a year from this coming December 31st has up to one year from this coming December 31st has up to one year from date of discharge to file for "one-time" dental treatment from VA, provided that condition is related service-connected by VA.

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THE MAILMAN'S NIGHTMARE

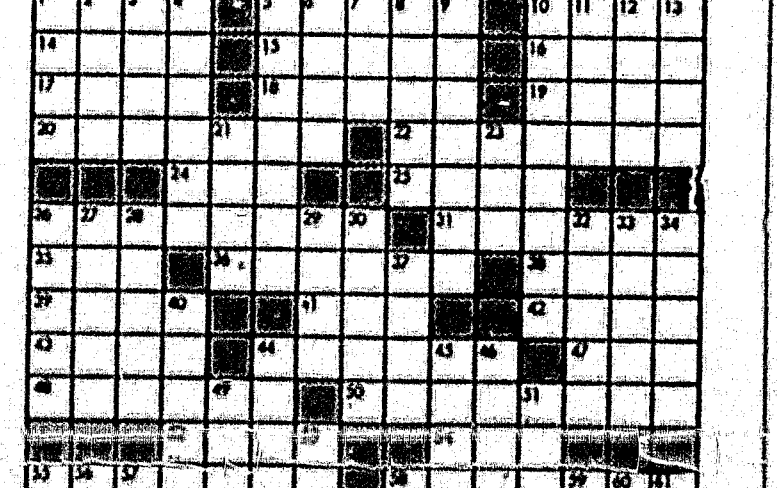


This chart, based on estimated figures for calendar year 1953, shows the relatively small increase in U. S. fire losses in the last 25 years when compared with major factors in our nation's expanding economy. Gross National Product, for instance, increased 258 per cent, going from \$103.8 billion to \$372.4 billion. National Income increased 254 per cent, from \$87.4 billion to \$309.4 billion. Fire losses increased about 100 per cent, from \$459,500,000 to \$925,000,000.

Our Great America by Woody



CROSSWORD PUZZLE



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DALE CARNEGIE

AUTHOR OF "HOW TO STOP WORRYING AND START LIVING"

WILLIAM H. TALLEY, 3900 16th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., regained consciousness about three and a half days after the "Battle of the Bulge" on a cot in an Army field hospital in Belgium. Where his feet should have been there was nothing except the ends of two plaster casts on his legs. The first picture that flashed into his mind was that of a legless man strapped to a little platform fitted with roller-skate wheels, sitting on the corner in his hometown selling pencils. He became almost frantic with worry and self-pity. Would he ever walk again? Would he be an invalid all his life? How would his wife and his mother take this terrible news? Why had this happened to him?

Luckily he had sense enough to realize that he had to get hold of himself. He forced himself to think rationally. His feet were gone—what could he do about it? Nothing. For some reason fate had decreed that he should lose his feet, and all the worry in the world wouldn't bring them back. Then and there he made up his mind to accept the facts as they were.

He began to analyze what he had left with which to fight the battle of life. It added up to a great deal more than he had realized before. He had life, which many of his Army friends no longer had; he had youth, strength, hope, ambition to get ahead, to help build a better world, and he had a beautiful little wife who would help him with whatever he wanted to do. What did he really have to worry about? The answer again was nothing!

He had accepted his fate and counted his blessings instead of his troubles, and he found he had a great deal left, and he knew that it is never what we have lost that counts, but what we have left.



"TRADE, not aid," might well be the slogan of a joint movement which is spreading across the country, as between REA cooperatives, private electric utilities and manufacturers of electric appliances, which has for its objective an increased use of electricity by farmers, both in the farm homes and on the farms themselves.

The name of this cooperative movement is the "Inter-Industry Farm Electric Utilization Council" and its officers are busy selling up state-power areas, each with its own officers.

The parent Council's officers elected at a recent meeting in Chicago include: Fred H. Strong, Deputy Administrator of the Rural Electric Administration, in Washington, who serves as non-voting chairman;

J. K. Smith, Kentucky Association of the Farmers Electric Cooperative of New Mexico—representing the rural cooperatives;

E. W. McClure, Vice President, Kansas Power and Light Company, and C. V. Sorenson, vice president and general manager, Indiana & Michigan Electric Company—representing private electric companies;

W. E. Saylor, Kelvinator Division, American Motors Corporation, and Walter Hemker, Westinghouse Electric Corp.—representing the electric appliance industry;

through the National Electrical Manufacturers Association; and Russell Gingles, of the NEMA, serving as secretary and non-voting member.

Anchor Nelson, National Administrator of REA, had this to say

THE LOW DOWN

FROM HICKORY GROVE

This is an essay on banks. Not sand—or river—but money. And before getting up to my adam's apple in this discussion, I devour a degree or 2 to say that amongst all the institutions of today, the bank is one of the most necessary. And while on Banks there is the Banker. Too few people take it on themselves to get acquainted with the Top Kick down at their bank. Go on down—tackle the Top Kick—you will be agreeably surprised. And the services the bank can perform—and so reasonable—there is something to know, too. I leave pretty near everything—debts and all—to Uncle Joe Paxton down at our bank. I'd let him hold my watch and chain any time—even in the dark.

But to get in deeper. An Old Longhorn editor down in Texas—Odessa—says he finds that the USA debt moves nearer and nearer to 275 billion while the debt of all countries combined in the world is but 307 billion. That is Longhorn research.

For 20 years a free rolling congress has borrowed and borrowed. Some money needed like for wars but billions unneeded for fundidies. Congress did not get jerked up in the traces like an individual would be hauled in at the bank if he went spending beyond his means. Congress has been the culprit. Now the job is to lift the mortgage. That old Odessa Texan is sounding the alarm—and accenting same.

Yours with the low down,
JO SHUTTA

Fraise has different efforts, according to the mind it meets with. It makes a wise man modest, but a fool more arrogant.

—Owen Fellman

BRYAN

—Mrs. E. Mrs. A. and son, D. are visiting Mrs. Theod. band, Sgt. come from the Christi.

The Int. Study Group shower for Rogers at Warner T. nice gifts honor guests served. The Tressa Stotini, Mrs. Bertha Belser, Mrs. Barbara H. Keen, Le Ring, Jean way, Marg June, the guest.

Several who present are Mrs. Hat 93rd birthday called to see gifts, including cards.

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Universalist Sunday W a. m. Rev. Special music choir of Bu Mills church 10:45 a. m. tertainment Wednesday 7:30. The town will on Christmas to participat

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BRYANT POND

Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Corres.— Mrs. Alberta Dunham Scribner and son, Duane, of Arlington, Va., are visiting her parents, Mr and Mrs Theodore Dunham. Her husband, Sgt. Erland Scribner, will come from Fort Myers to spend the Christmas holidays here.

The Interdenominational Bible Study Group gave a surprise stork shower for Mrs. Gloria McKee Rogers at the home of Mrs. Merle Warner Thursday night. Many nice gifts were received by the honor guest and refreshments were served. Those present were Mrs. Tressa Stowell, Mrs. Jeannette Carini, Mrs. Myra Hemingway, Mrs. Bertha Beck, Mrs. Louie Sweetser, Mrs. Beulah Whitman, Mrs. Barbara Hathaway, Mrs. Theo McKee, Leatrice Farnum, Kaye Ring, Jean Carlini, Susan Hathaway, Margie Cox, Orissa Walcott, June Sweetser, Louise Whitman, the guest of honor and hostess. Several who were unable to be present sent gifts.

Mrs. Hattie Besse observed her 93rd birthday Dec. 9. Many friends called to see her and she received gifts, including cakes, flowers and cards.

The Universalist Fellowship Club met at the Town Hall Wednesday evening, Dec. 8, with a pot luck supper served at 6:30. The program included singing of carols by the group and an exchange of gifts from a Christmas tree. Wendell Twitchell and Gordon Farnum were appointed committee in charge of card parties, to start after the first of January. At the next meeting, Jan. 28, each member is asked to bring something for a silent auction. The January committee is Mr and Mrs Harold Warner, Jr., Mr and Mrs Harold Tyler, and Mr and Mrs Norman Mills.

The A U W met at the home of Mrs. Mary E. Knights Monday afternoon. A quilt was tied. Plans were made for the Christmas Sale of candy, cookies, aprons and other articles, to be held at the room next to the post office on Monday, Dec. 20, beginning at noon.

Universalist Church News

Sunday Worship Service at 9:30 a. m. Rev. Gordon Newell, pastor. Special music by the combined choirs of Bryant Pond and Locke Mills churches. Church School at 10:45 a. m. The Christmas entertainment and tree will be held Wednesday evening, Dec. 22, at 7:30. The young people of the town will sing Christmas carols on Christmas eve. All are invited to participate.

Program for Church School Christmas program, Dec. 22, at 7:30 p. m.: Christmas Song—"It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"; Scripture and Prayer—Rev. Gordon G. Newell; Welcome Recitations—Teddy Ring, Anita Gaugler, and Seth Warner; Songs by Lower Classes—"Away In a Manger" and "This Is the Way the Snow Comes"; Carol—"Joy To the World"; Play—"The Wreath"; Song by Junior Classes—"We Would See Jesus"; Filmstrip Pictures—"Christmas Customs in Many Lands" and "Famous Madonnas"; Closing Song—"Silent Night"; Benediction; Christmas Tree.

Judith Grover Tent, No. 17, met at the home of Beale Andrews with all members present as Sister Alberta Dunham Scribner was with us from Virginia. A letter was read from Sister Grace Emery saying she was gaining and thanking the members for their gift. There were 52 calls made by the members. Christmas cards were signed by the members and sent to sick members. Mildred Dunham received the mystery package. A Christmas program was presented by the Patriotic Instructor: "The Night Before Christmas," Arlene MacKillop; Riddles by Beattie House. A Christmas tree was enjoyed after the meeting and refreshments of popcorn and candy were served by Alice Hoyt and Phyllis Hathaway.

LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Mary Mills, Corres.— Miss Judith Andrews who has been ill resumed her studies at Gould Academy Monday.

Mrs. Urban Bartlett of East Bethel substituted for Mrs. Mary Andrews in the intermediate room a few days last week.

Mrs. Carol Jordan is assisting in the Post Office during the Christmas season.

Mrs. Lillian Fluke and Philip Cummings are recovering from their recent illnesses.

Schools will close Friday for the Christmas vacation. Each room will have a Christmas tree and program.

The Sunday School will have its Christmas tree and program at 7:30 Monday evening, December 27.

Ralph Corkum severed the end of a finger in a door while at work at the Ekco-Tibbets Inc. mill Wednesday afternoon. He was taken to the Rumford Community Hospital for treatment, returning home later that day.

THE BAFFLES

By Mahoney



NORTH WOODSTOCK

Mrs. C. James Knights, Cor.— Mr and Mrs Herman Cole spent Sunday evening with Mr and Mrs Otis Dudley.

Miss June Sweetser visited one day last week with her aunt, Mrs. C. James Knights.

Mrs. Sherwood Buck was at Lewiston one day last week.

Mr and Mrs Eugene Bellegard and baby were at Rumford one forenoon last week.

Mrs. Lee Billings and children and Mrs. Edgar Davis and sons were at Norway Saturday forenoon.

Mrs. George Abbott has gone to Amherst, Mass., to visit her son and wife, Mr and Mrs Herschel Abbott. Mr and Mrs Frank Campbell, South Paris, Mr and Mrs Clyde Knights, Bethel, were Saturday night supper guests and Sunday dinner guests of their parents, Mr and Mrs C. James Knights.

Mrs. Frank Hayes visited one afternoon last week with Mrs. George Abbott.

Mrs. Harry Poland worked for Mrs. Stanley Andrews one day last week.

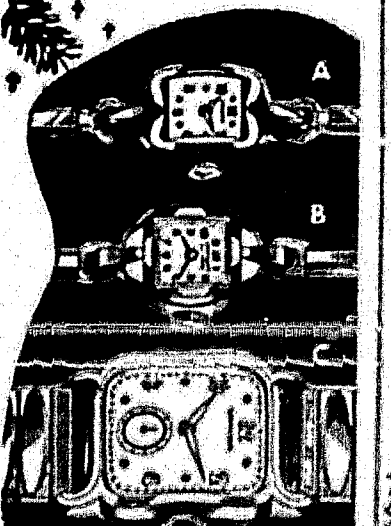
CAMPBELL - HILL. Mrs. Christine K. Hill, Bryant Pond, daughter of Mr and Mrs C. James Knights, and Frank L. Campbell, South Paris, son of Mr and Mrs Arlow Campbell, were united in marriage at a double ring ceremony Saturday afternoon, Nov. 27, at Bethel, by the Rev. Charles Pendleton.

The bride wore a navy blue suit with a corsage of yellow roses.

The groom was in the merchant marine two years, one year in Korea. He is now employed at Wilner Wood Products, Norway.

A SMALL DEPOSIT HOLDS A GIFTWORTHY

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SUNDAY RIVER

Mrs. R. M. Fleet, Corres.— Mrs. Eleanor Gilman was a patient at the Rumford Community Hospital a few days the first of last week.

Mrs. Martin Jackson is not so good at present and is under a doctor's care.

Howard Waterhouse, who is home on a ten day leave, called on the Estes Yates and R. M. Fleet before he reports to a new camp in Texas.

The Sunday River Sunday School will have its closing exercises and Christmas tree, Tuesday, Dec. 21, at the school house, at 7:30 p. m. There will be a rehearsal at the school house from two to three Tuesday afternoon. We hope that all parents and friends

will be present. Charles Runnels and Gerald Nowlin are having bad colds. Mr and Mrs John Nowlin spent a few days last week with their daughter, Mrs. Lottie Knowles, at Dixfield.

Many from here attended the show given by the Pine Tree Ramblers at Newry Corner last Thursday evening. It was much enjoyed and we are glad that they have so much to remember the sick at Hebron Sanatorium.

Mr and Mrs Clifton Jackson spent Sunday night with his parents, the Martin Jacksons.

Lina Reynolds visited the R. M. Fleet's one evening last week.

"These days it's hard to tell whether you're walking behind a man who needs a haircut, or a woman who's just got one." — Richard Hayman.

They were attended by Mr and Mrs Clyde Knights, brother and sister-in-law of the bride. They are residing at 60 High Street, South Paris.

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SOUTH WOODSTOCK

Oliver F. Davis, Corres.— Ellis M. Davis attended State Grange last week. Bob Benson and Dick Silver made it possible for him to go by doing his chores for him while he was away.

Mrs. Ellis M. Davis went to Lewiston Wednesday with the Pomona drill team. Harry Jacobs of West Paris, the drill master, carried her to Lewiston.

Charles Bane had an ill turn Tuesday. He went down to his daughter's, Mrs. Joseph Penley's, for a few days. He is better at this time.

Mr and Mrs Raymond Mullen called on her grandparents, Sunday.

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STARK BRO'S

Stark Bro's is a family business. We are sorry to learn that Mr and Mrs Stanley Andrews and family have been ill with the flu.

Mr and Mrs Ellis Davis took dinner with Mr Davis' uncle and aunt, Mr and Mrs Dannie Bryant, Sunday. Charles Bane also was a dinner guest.

James Keniston and Robert Gleason started for California Sunday, Dec. 5. They are driving out. Mr Keniston will remain with his daughters and Mr Gleason plans to fly back before Christmas. Mrs. Violet Garvin and children have moved into her father's house for the winter.

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Thursday, December 16

Read II Corinthians 5:17-21
If any one is in Christ, he is a new creation. (II Corinthians 5:17, RVSV.)

ONE day a man said to me: "I could not stop drinking. I was in jail my fifth time caused by my craving for rice wine. Then a Japanese pastor preached in the prison and gave me a copy of John's Gospel. Its message gripped me and I decided to follow Christ. My whole life changed. I lost my craving for drink. When released from prison, I went to a church and became a Christian." Now he is a new creation, busy-telling others about Christ's saving power.

If we regard people from the human point of view only, they are hopeless slaves of sin. If we regard Christ only from a human

point of view, He becomes only an example of moral perfection to which we cannot attain.

But however much we may be bound by the chains of human weakness, in Christ we may find divine strength that can make us new creations. With Paul we then say: "Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Prayer

O God, Thou didst create man for fellowship with Thy holy self. Help me this day, as a child of Thine, to see everything with Thine eyes of tender mercy and love and devotion for his highest good. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Thought For The Day
"If the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed."

P. Lee Palmora (Japan)

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

BETHEL METHODIST CHURCH

Robert A. Carter, Minister
Miss Minnie Wilson, Sunday School Superintendent

Miss Nesta Gordon, Organist

9:45 a. m. Church School, Community Caroling.

11:00 a. m. Morning Worship, Sermon—"No Room."

7:00 p. m. Senior MYF at the Church.

7:30 p. m. Vesper Service, Pastor's Meditation—"The Carol That Never was Sung."

8:00 p. m. Bible Seminar—"A Church School Class' Presentation of the Early Scriptures."

Monday, Dec. 20: 7:30 p. m. Church School Christmas Party—Presentation of the Christmas Story in pantomime, with carols sung by the Church School classes, and Christmas Tree Party.

Thursday, Dec. 23:
8:30 p. m. Junior Choir and Boys' choir at the church.

6:30 p. m. Youth Choir at the Church.

7:30 p. m. Adult choir at the Church.

Friday, Dec. 24:
7:00 Christmas Eve Service—The Christmas Story presented in song by the Junior, Boy, Youth and Adult choirs of the church.

7:45 Caroling—all are invited.

8:30 Carols served at the church.

WEST PARISH CHURCH
Charles L. Pendleton, Minister
Mrs. John Tabbeta, Choir Director
Dawne Christie, Organist
Service for Christmas Sunday
December 18

9:30 a. m. Church School, Frank Nary, superintendent.

11:00 a. m. Morning Worship. The Junior Choir will sing special Christmas music. The sermon for Christmas is entitled "Unto Us."

Rev. Robert H. Harper
Glory to God in the Highest.
Leaves for December 19: Psalm 148: 1-4, 11-13; Matthew 1: 18-23; Golden Text: Psalm 93: 6.

This lesson, just preceding Christmas Day, fittingly begins with verses from the 148th Psalm, verses in which the glories of the heavens and all the people on earth, old and young, are exhorted to praise God.

The Word of God was suitably logical and correct. As Jesus was both human and divine, it was natural that Mary should conceive by the power of the Holy Ghost. Thus Jesus partook of the divine nature and of the human. The Son of God became the Son of Man that he might lift men to heaven.

Nothing could be more instructive than an examination of the name of Jesus. In a dream, the noble Joseph was told to take Mary unto himself as his wife, assured that the Child she was to bear would be the Son of the Holy Ghost. He was directed to call the name of the Child JESUS because he would save his people from their sins. Jesus means Saviour, and it is the name of the Lord Christ in his title, as President in the title of the Chief Executive of the United States. Christ means the Anointed One, the Son of God who was sent to save his people from their sins.

May this be the last Christmas our people have known because they make it the birthday of the Saviour and yield homage to him above all the lesser things of the world.

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DR. MARK TO SPEAK AT STATE 4-H CONTEST

Featured speaker at the 41st annual State 4-H Club Contest at the University of Maine December 28 to 30 will be Dr. John Nicol Mark, of Arlington, Mass. Speaking on "What's Right with the World," he'll address the Wednesday afternoon assembly. He'll also speak to the annual meeting of the Maine Association of 4-H Club Leaders that morning. State 4-H Contest this year will see a larger number than usual from each county in Maine, since State 4-H Camp was discontinued this summer and the outstanding delegates invited to State Contest instead. Classes in agriculture and home economics, assemblies, entertainment, recreation, a 4-H candle-lighting ceremony, and the awarding of honors to outstanding 4-H members, clubs, and leaders will be highlights.

FISH-GAME DEPARTMENT CLAIRES DEER SEASON RECOMMENDATIONS

Commissioner Roland H. Cobb of the Maine Department of Inland Fish and Game says that apparently some misunderstanding had arisen over the Department's recommendations on deer season changes, as expressed in the November newsletter to the sportsmen's clubs of the State.

"In order to make the picture clear," the Commissioner stated, "I would like to point out that the suggestions incorporated in the newsletter expressed the thinking of our game biologists as to the best management procedures for our deer herd. Briefly, the suggestions were for northern and southern deer zones based on climatic regions rather than county lines, and for an additional six day hunting period in the northern zone and a lengthening of the season by ten days in the southern zone. Actually, the question of changing zones or seasons is a legislative one and the Department recognizes it as such. However, we feel that we, as a State Department, should and must keep the sportsmen of Maine informed as to wildlife needs. After that it is up to them, speaking through their elected representatives, to make the necessary changes."

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WEST BETHEL

Mrs. Ruth Gilbert, Corres.

Pleasant Valley Grange met last Thursday night with 12 members and three visitors present.

A letter was read from Archer R. Grover telling of building of the grange hall. He also enclosed the original record of names of persons, and the number of hours each worked on the hall.

It was voted to donate two dollars each to Children's Home, Augusta, and Opportunity Farm. The home and community welfare committee is to consult with the lecturer concerning projects for the year.

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MISCELLANEOUS

SPECIAL MEETING - The Thrift Club will hold their December meeting at Howe's Store in Hanover. Many members of the club are already enjoying the fine values offered at this progressive store.

Leave Shoes at the Bethel Spa for repair and clothes to clean Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. EXCEL CLEANERS AND DYERS, INC., Auburn, Maine.

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TOWN SCHOOLS' CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS - continued from page one

A Mouse's Christmas Letter, Bruce Taylor;

Small but Bright, Rosanna Farrington; Kerchoo, Gregory Gilmer; A Possibility, Randall Chretien; Acrostic "Santa Clause," Louella Belanger, Peggy Baker, Bertha Brown, Judith Desroches, Jacklyn Crouse, Jacquelyn Jackson, Hugh Chapman, Donald Baker, Erlon Hataat, Robert Bates; Song, Silent Night, class; In Closing, James Davis.

Grade III (Mrs. Howe) - We Welcome You, Carol Flint; A Welcome, Donna Ryerson; A Modern Santa Claus, Linda Palmer; A Greeting, Michael Wheeler; Santa's Boy, Maynard Morgan; A Joke on Santa, Wayne Andrews; My Christmas Stocking, Richard Lapham; What's He Good For, Charlie Miller; A Christmas Quiz, Alan Chapman; A Brave Girl, Charlene Swain; Christmas Thanksgiving, Joe Walsh, Douglas Bane, Grace Dyer, Diane Lothrop, Arthur Verrill, Cheryl Grenier, Dale Stevens;

A Bath for Santa Claus, Grace Haines; My Electric Train, Stephen Bell; Old Santa Claus, Jane Luxton; A Christmas Hello, Burnham Rice; Preparation, Lorraine Eames; Burdles, James Logan; Santa Claus Is Coming, Martha Keniston; The Christmas Letters, Olga Sweet, Ellen Brown, Reginald Brown, Frank Saunders, Billy Sweet, Ralph Jackson, Richard Fraser, Mildred Kimball, Frank Swan; My Letter to Santa, Charlie Sprague; If I Were a Christmas Toy, Gladys Witter, Donald Young, Ellen Brown, Barbara Mar-

ty; Twenty words or less, one week, 30 cents additional weeks, 30 cents. More than 20 words, one and one-half cents per word the first week; additional weeks, one cent per word.

Advertisements in care of the Citizen, 10 cents per insertion additional.

Display advertising in classified columns, 50 cents per inch. Cards of Thanks or in Memoriam, 75 cents.

Resolutions of Respect, \$1.00.

SCHOOL NEWS - Grade Four (Mrs. King) - Richard Wright will enter the CMG Hospital next Monday for an operation for removal of a cataract caused by a B. B. shot.

The following have had perfect attendance for the Fall term: Harry Kimball, Suzanne Kneeland, Delma McMillin, Don Parker, Paul Pendleton, Florence Stevens, Norris Waterhouse.

Grade Four (Miss Ballard) - We are looking forward to our Christmas party and tree on Friday.

We have had perfect attendance for ten days during the past six weeks.

The following have had perfect attendance for the Fall term: Frada Bennett, Sharon Benson, Rodney Brown, Diana Douglass, Nellie Chapman, Trafton Foster, Duane Gordon.

Grade Five (Mrs. Hastings) - Committees for Christmas are as follows: Santa's Helpers, Evelyn Sprague, Lorraine Olson, Alvin Stevens and Rodney Kimball; Games - Nancy Saunders, Stephen Saunders, Dwight Lord and Carol Keoski; Clean-Up - Alfred Leighton, Wayne Palmer, Carolyn Wilcox, Charles Newell, and Donald Ray.

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Grade Six (Miss Varner) - We are studying Canada. We have made a large display of the provinces of Canada. In arithmetic we are studying fractions.

We are all fascinated by Irene Sessions' ability to draw. She has been with us about a month.

Donna and Donald Rice brought our Christmas Tree. Our seats have been arranged in a circle around our Christmas tree, which was decorated by our room. The Dickens' "Christmas Carol" was read to us and we enjoyed it very much. "The Littlest Angel" was read to us Tuesday afternoon. Other Christmas stories to be read are "Why the Chinese Rang" and "The Bird's Christmas Carol." We are having our Christmas party Friday afternoon. All presents are to be brought in on Wednesday and Thursday.

Our attendance was 100% three days last week and Tuesday this week.

The person bringing the most pennies from 1941-1954 will receive a penny coin booklet.

Reporters - Nikki McMillin, Roy Newton.

Grade Six (Mrs. Lord) - Patricia Chase is home from the hospital but will not be back to school for awhile.

We have been having reports on make-believe trips to Canada's provinces and territories this week.

This Friday we are having a Christmas Party in which there will be Choral Reading, Singing of Christmas Carols with Dickie Bennett playing the clarinet, and the exchanging of gifts.

Reporters - Lucia Feltner and Dixie Lea Brown.

Grade Seven (Mrs. Gunther) - The Seventh grade visited the Oxford Paper mill at Rumford on Tuesday. It was a very profitable trip.

All the rooms are very prettily decorated for Christmas.

Grade Eight (Mr. Darby) - Twenty members of Mr. Darby's 8th grade class attended the movies Tuesday evening. After the show they went to his home on Vernon St. and enjoyed refreshments of cake, cookies and punch. Some of the boys told us the next day that the punch didn't taste quite so good later that night!

We have our Christmas Party Friday afternoon. There are plans now for two skills and several games.

We are eagerly looking forward to Christmas vacation. We think now that it will be so good to be out of school all that time. Before its over however, we'll probably wish we were back!

The basketball team will play Woodstock Jr. High here on Jan. 5th. We hope parents and friends will support our team.

Reporters - Lee Ann Grover and Gloria Harris.

Mrs. Richard Lapham; Santa Is Coming, Norma Jean Sloan; Trembly Tom, Matthew Brooks; A Merry Christmas, Cynthia Freeman.

GOULD ACADEMY

SOUTH PARIS 38-GOULD 32

South Paris High defeated Gould Academy here last Friday in a Sun-Journal League opener for the home team. The Cardinals had previously defeated Norway High which ties them with Bridgton at 2 victories each.

The opening quarter was a low scoring affair with the visitors out front 7-5. The second period proved the downfall of the local quintet as Paris surged ahead scoring 18 points while Gould scored only 6. This gave them a commanding 25-11 lead at the half.

Gould came back strong in the second half as White, Lieberman, and Rowe came through with valuable counters. The losers outscored Paris 12-9 in the third period and 9-4 in the final stanza but the big second period for the winners gave them the verdict 38-32. Seeley of Paris was high scorer with 15 points followed by White of Gould with 12.

In the preliminary the Gould JV's led by Dave Edgecomb with 11 points turned in a 23-24 victory.

	G	P
Gould (32)	1	1
Trimbach	0	1
Lieberman	3	1
White	6	0
Willard	0	0
Corkum	1	2
Murphy	0	0
Rowe	3	2
Rolle	0	0
Lord	0	0
Total	13	6

	G	P
South Paris (38)	5	1
Seeley	6	3
Foster	1	2
Day	2	3
Snow	2	1
Merrill	3	1
Houtari	0	0
Total	14	10

Gould 5 11 23 32
South Paris 7 23 34 38
Officials, Brimington and Bolavert.

BRIDGTON TAKES GOULD, 46-31

A fast Bridgton team jumped in to an early lead of 22-7 at the quarter and coasted to their third conference win of the young season. The visitors were the best looking club the Huskies have faced this year. They now have a league record of 3 wins and no defeats to head the Sun Journal Conference Western Division. It was the first Bridgton victory over Gould in 24 years. In 1930 Bridgton beat Gould 18 to 16 on their own floor. Johns, Darralch, and Douglas led the scoring for Bridgton with 11, 10, and 9 points each. Lieberman was high point man of the night with 15 points followed by Rowe with 8 for Gould.

Gould has now dropped three in a row, 2 in the league. The Huskies lack speed and height. They have more than hold their own in the second half of all their games but have been completely outclassed in the beginning periods.

The Gould JV's lost a tough one.

At a special assembly on Wednesday morning letters were awarded to the members of the Cross County and Football teams by Coaches Clayton F. Fosselt and Robert Scott respectively. Boys receiving their Cross Country letters were Frank Benson, John Chase, Capt. W. Coolidge, Robert Edney, Fred Fanning, Philip Korhonen, John Munier, and Manager Dave Vincent.

Members of the Football team who received their letters were David Biggins, Wendell Bragg, Howard Brush, Edward Burnham, Carl Corkum, Verne Corkum, Robert Crane, William Daley, Robert Griffin, Norman Hill, Alan Lamson, Danny Lane, James Murphy, Paul Murphy, Kenneth Nowlin, Russell Patterson, Kenneth Rafuse, Harry Reid, Timothy Richardson.

At a meeting held on Monday the Chapman Club announces the membership of the following new members: Pauline King, Geraldine King, Mary Jane Cole, Judith Ward, Ellen Lord, Howard West, Dawne Christie, Richard Gilman, Kenneth Nowlin, Betty Murrell, Timothy Richardson.

The Academy Skating Rink will be kept open during the holiday season with skating permitted daily until 8:30 p. m. In order to keep the rink in condition, however, it will be necessary to get assistance from local students. All help directed to this project during the vacation period will be greatly appreciated.

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As a result of special auditions

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Libby	2	5
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Weich	3	2
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Totals	17	12

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Gould	5	1
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MAINE FARM BUREAU SENDS DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

A thirty-five person delegation is expected to represent Maine at the 36th annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation in New York City, Dec. 12-16. Heading the group will be Rockwood N. Berry of Livermore Falls, President of the Maine Farm Bureau, who will participate as a member of the Policy Development Committee composed of one representative from each state and Puerto Rico.

Smith C. McIntire of Perham was elected at the recent Farm Bureau State Meeting to head the voting delegation from Maine Farm Bureau at formal business sessions of the delegate body.

Mrs. Wallace Woodworth of Benton will represent Maine in the Farm Bureau Women's Committee sessions. In addition, each County Farm Bureau is entitled to send a delegate.

The Farm Bureau will discuss public issues, hear speakers of national prominence, elect members of the board of directors, and adopt policies for the year ahead. The resolutions adopted at the close of the meeting will reflect months of policy development study and discussion throughout the nation.

Speakers at the general session will include Secretary of Agriculture Ezra T. Benson; Sir James Mackinnon, British ambassador to the United States; Dr. Milton Eisenhower, president of Pennsylvania State University; Clarence Randall, president of the Inland Steel Corporation; Senator Spessard L. Holland of Florida, member of the Senate committee on agriculture and forestry; and Dr. Nicholas Nyaradi, chairman of the department of economics, Bradley University, and former minister of finance of Hungary.

Dr. Norman Vincent Peale, rector of Marble Collegiate Church, New York, will speak to the Vesper Service Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12.

Monday, Dec. 13, will be devoted to special conferences on organization, Farm Bureau women's ac-

SOCIETY DIRECTORY

Mt. Abram Lodge, No. 31, L. O. O. F. Meets Friday evenings, N. O. Asher Runnels, Secretary, George Lothrop.

Sunset Rebekah Lodge, No. 61, Meets first and third Monday evenings, N. G. Blanche Berryment, Sec. Secretary, Hilda Donahue.

Purity Chapter, No. 102, O. E. S. Meets first Wednesday evenings, W. M. Helen Morton, Secretary, Ethel Blabie.

Pleasant Valley Grange, No. 136, West Bethel. Meets second and fourth Thursdays, Master, George Gilbert, Secretary, Lettie Hall.

Bethel Chamber of Commerce. Meets first Tuesdays, President, Harold G. Bennett, Secretary, Henry H. Hastings.

W. S. C. S. Methodist Church. Meets first Thursday afternoons, President, Olive Carter, Secretary, Doris Brown, Assistant Secretary, Gertrude Fossett.

Eleanor Gordon Guild. Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings, President, Mary Angeline, Secretary, Ruth Eastman.

Ladies Club, Congregational Church. Meets first and third Thursday afternoons, President, Mrs. Edith Howe, Secretary, Mrs. R. R. Tibbels.

The Guild, Congregational Church. Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings, President, Mrs. Leslie Marcuse, Secretary, Mrs. Gertrude Hutchins.

Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. & A. M. Meets second Thursday evenings, W. M. Henry Hastings, Secretary, Ernest Mundt.

Bethel Lion Club. Meets second and fourth Mondays, President, Herbert Morton, Jr., Secretary, James Hutchins.

Men's Brotherhood, Methodist Church. Meets last Tuesday evenings, President, Richard Blake Jr., Secretary, Donald Gurdick.

Parent Teacher Association. Meets third Wednesday evenings, President, Jay Willard, Secretary, Rita Davis.

Five Town Teachers' Club. Meets first Monday evening, President, Melva Willard, Secretary, Miriam McAllister.

Mundi-Alton Post, No. 31, American Legion. Meets second and fourth Tuesday evenings, Commander, Leslie Kendall, Adjutant, Jack Compass.

Mundi-Alton Unit, No. 31, American Legion Auxiliary. Meets second and fourth Tuesday evenings, President, Josephine Tripp, Secretary, Hilda Donahue.

Alder River Grange, No. 166, East Bethel. Meets first and third Friday evenings, Master, Guy Bartlett, Secretary, Marguerite Bartlett.

Near River Grange, No. 206, Newry Corner. Meets every other Saturday, Master, Owen Wight, Secretary, Ida Wight.

Bethel Players. Meets third Monday, 8 p. m., President, Francis Noyes, Secretary, Sylvia Sloan.

Bethel Auxiliary of Remford Community Hospital. Meets first Friday evenings, President, Ruth Boynton, Secretary, Barbara Douglass.

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By Chic Young



ivities, young people's activities, livestock, poultry, fruits, vegetables, dairy, field crops, insurance, land and water, and tax and legislative problems. A farm safety conference will be held early Tuesday morning.

The general conventions sessions will begin Tuesday morning, Dec. 13, with the annual address of Allan B. McKinnon, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, and the report of Roger Fleming, secretary-treasurer of the federation.

Sir James Mackinnon and Mr. Randall will speak to the Tuesday afternoon session. An open session of the resolutions committee will be held after the speaking program on Tuesday afternoon.

The young people's Talk Meet finals will be held Tuesday evening, and entertainment for the evening session will be furnished by Talent Find numbers. Dr. Nyaradi will give the main address of the evening.

Distinguished service awards and awards to winners of citizenship and dairy promotion contest will also be presented Tuesday evening. Secretary Benson will speak to the Wednesday morning session. Senator Holland and Dr. Eisenhower will address the Wednesday afternoon session.

The business meeting will be held Thursday, when the elected voting delegates of the State Farm Bureau will discuss and act on resolutions and elected members of the board of directors in cases where terms have expired.

General sessions will be held in the Promenade Ballroom, Manhattan Ballroom, Manhattan Center. Convention headquarters will be at the Hotel New Yorker. Special conferences will be held at the New Yorker and other nearby hotels.

IT'S UP TO YOU

By Howard E. Kershner, L.L.D.

Having made all other efforts to reduce costs, if a company still cannot meet competition and is faced with closing down, should labor accept a reduction in wages? Is it better for employees to receive \$15.00 per day or demand \$16.00 and be unemployed?

Several groups of workers in the textile industry, the automobile industry, and in meat packing have voluntarily accepted minor wage reductions in the hope that resulting lower prices will stimulate demand for the products of their work, thus continuing their jobs.

In some instances labor leaders oppose these cuts and refuse to allow their members to accept them. In such cases workers were forced to continue striking and to be the unwilling victims of absentee leaders who preferred to see their members unemployed rather than accept slightly decreased wages. There are rumors that government has conspired with this policy.

Such interference with the freedom of men to work when jobs are offered to them is intolerable, not only for them, but for the public and the stockholders as well. The men need their wages, the public needs the goods. Stockholders have risked their savings in what might be a modest, profitable venture but is now a loss because some men ambitious for power insist on controlling the activities of other men.

A flexible scale of wages and prices is needed to lower the cost of some goods and raise that of others in order that balance between the different groups of workers and consumers may be constantly maintained. This clears the market places and makes possible continuous prosperity to the very great advantage of labor, stockholders and public alike. It induces men and money to leave industries making things people no longer want and are unwilling to pay for, and flow into industries making things people do want and are glad to pay for. This results in maximum production and rapidly rising scale of living.

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1954 DEER SEASON PRODUCES FOURTH HIGHEST KILL IN STATE'S HISTORY

Figures for the 1954 deer season compiled at Augusta by officials of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game show a total of 37,269 deer taken to establish the fourth highest deer kill figure in the State's history.

Although this year's figures show a drop of 1,340 from last year's kill of 38,609, game biologists of the Department feel that this decrease is not a cause for alarm. Any number of factors enter into a successful season, according to W. R. DeGarmo, Game Division chief, and any one of them can affect the kill figures.

DeGarmo pointed out that the past season saw an absence of snow in any great amount. "One week of snow during the season, especially in the central and southern sections of the State, might have made a tremendous difference in the final figures," he said. "Game Division biologists, however, will check closely in their areas on the present status of the herd as they do every year."

DeGarmo states that the game kill questionnaire sent out each winter on a statistical basis should help to determine the hunter success ratio and thus give a better comparison between the 1954 season and those of previous years.

"As we grow older, we find that the best time for a cold shower is some other time," Pipe Dreams.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

WHEREAS, Jenn Louis Grandmason of Colebrook, in the County of Coos and State of New Hampshire, by his mortgage deed dated November 28, 1932, and recorded in Oxford County Registry of Deeds in Book 476, Page 472 conveyed to me, the undersigned, a said parcel of real estate situated in Greenwood, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, and bounded as follows: Commencing on line between land now or formerly of Will Seames and the grantor at the point where said line intersects line of land of the Fishery lot, so known; thence in a westerly direction along line of said Fishery lot across the old County Road to a corner and line of land of Gratton Lumber Company; thence in a southerly direction along line of land of said Gratton Lumber Company to a stake and stones on line of land of L. E. Davis; thence in an easterly direction along line of said Davis land across said old County Road to a corner and line of land of J. F. Harrington; thence in a northerly direction along line of said J. F. Harrington land to the southeasterly corner of land of the Harrington heirs; thence in a westerly direction along line of land of said Harrington heirs to a corner; thence in a northerly direction along line of land of said Harrington heirs to a corner; thence in an easterly direction along line of said Harrington heirs to a corner and line of land of said Will Seames; thence in a northerly direction along line of said Seames land to the point of beginning. Containing one hundred and forty (140) acres, more or less, and being the same premises as conveyed to me by warranty deed of John H. Deegan bearing even date herewith and to be recorded in Oxford County Registry of Deeds.

Now, therefore, by reason of the breach of the condition thereof I claim a foreclosure of said mortgage dated this first day of December, AD, 1954.

State of New Hampshire, Coos ss. Gaudias Audet

Personally appeared the above named Gaudias Audet and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this first day of December, 1954.

Arthur O. Dupont

Notary Public (L. S.)

EAST BETHEL

— Mrs. David Foster, Corres. —

Mr and Mrs Nell Gross of Newry and Mr and Mrs Elwin Billings and Darlene of West Paris were week end guests of Mr and Mrs Lewis Smith.

Mrs Lillian Bartlett substituted for Mrs Mary Andrews at the Locke Mills school this week.

Mr and Mrs David Littlefield and three children of Ogunquit were week end guests of Mr and Mrs Urban Bartlett.

Mr and Mrs Sherman Newton were week end guests of Mr and Mrs Lee Falkenham in Andover.

Mrs Pauline Smith, Donna Smith, Mrs Evelyn Harrington were week end guests of Mrs Wayne Moore and Mrs Wendell Edmunds in South Paris.

Mr and Mrs Richard Carter, Tommy Carter, Miss June Foster, and Richard Stevens attended

A traffic crash can ruin the Christmas season for everyone connected with it. Our State Police ask us to loan over backwards in our efforts to prevent these mishaps. Even though we may be in the right, let's not be unwilling to give the other fellow a break when he makes a mistake. Courtesy and tolerance in traffic can work wonders in preventing accidents.

Westminster, Md., Times: "The less we demand from our government, the fewer liberties we shall have to relinquish."

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Youth Night at the Maine State Grange on Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs Albert Allen of Upton were guests of Mr and Mrs Sherman Newton, Thursday.

Mrs Myra Foster returned Thursday night from Lewiston where she attended State Grange and reported a very interesting and enjoyable session.

Mr and Mrs Carl Hutchinson of Gorham, Maine, were guests of Mrs Ida Blake this week end.

There will be a meeting of the Lucky Clover 4-H Club on Dec. 18 at Mrs Marguerite Bartlett's.

Mr and Mrs Cleve Bartlett were in Berlin, N. H., Monday, shopping and visiting friends.

Alder River Grange No. 145 meets Friday, Dec. 17, for a regular

meeting. Everyone who comes, please bring a gift to exchange as this is the Christmas meeting.

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SPORTS FLASHES

The
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by J. G. Taylor Spink

Sugar Bowl Aims at Army, Notre Dame for Future Dates

The men behind the New Orleans Sugar Bowl are looking beyond this coming New Year's Day. They are aiming for Army as one of the 1954 attractions, and for Notre Dame in 1957. With Navy having accepted a 1955 Sugar Bowl invitation, the Mid-Winter Sports Association, which sponsors the game, feels justified in keeping its sights high.

The general manager of the Sugar Bowl, Fred Digby, put it this way in a talk with a writer of the Sporting News: "The Midshipmen have broken the ice, and we won't give up until we land Army and Notre Dame in the future. We feel we have definitely vindicated our resistance to any and all bowl tie-ups. We are the last major stronghold for the independents."

Digby and other Bowl officials denied emphatically that Notre Dame had ever approached the Sugar Bowl with an idea for a five-year pact between the Irish and the New Orleans sports enthusiasts. "Such an agreement," Digby said, "would have shut out other independents, and that's just what we don't want. We are interested only in bringing to New Orleans the very best grid attractions possible. There are plenty of strong independent teams around the country, and the East is coming back. Any tie-up with Notre Dame or other schools would spoil our efforts to bring these teams down to our game."

The New Orleans sportmen feel that, with Navy accepting a bid this year, it would be virtually impossible for Army to turn down an invitation next year. As for Notre Dame's acceptance, there's some basis of hope there because Notre Dame has already agreed to letting its basketball team play in the annual year-end tournament in New Orleans this year.

The Sugar Bowlers are proud of their independence. The Rose Bowl has a contract with the Pacific Coast Conference and the Western Conference (Big 10), and the Orange Bowl has a closed pact with the Atlantic Coast Conference and the Big Seven Conference. The Sugar Bowl does have an understanding with the Southeastern Conference, and each year picks the winner of this group for a New Orleans bid. But The Sporting News points out that there is nothing airtight about this understanding. There was some agitation for a tie-up between the Southeastern and Southwestern Conferences, but the Sugar Bowlers turned down the idea. "We were skeptical of this as a steady diet," Digby said. "There are too many available eastern and northern teams to deprive them of a chance to play in the Sugar Bowl."

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Years Ago

10 YEARS AGO

Bethel's quota for the State War Chest was \$1109.00.
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Death: Trus J. Brown.

20 YEARS AGO

"The Mothers Club" of the Methodist Church presented the play "Sound Your Horn" in Odeon Hall.

Guy Morgan's filling station was burglarized. Merchandise amounting to \$40 was taken.

Sixty-three deer were tagged in the town of Newry.

30 YEARS AGO

F. E. Russell was appointed Trial Justice by Gov. Baxter.

A snow fall of five inches with a high wind piling it into drifts made very bad traveling for two or three days.

It was announced at Donor's Day exercises at Gould Academy that William Bingham 2nd had conveyed to the Bethel Water Company three thousand acres comprising the Chapman Brook Valley.

the first time for a post-season clash since 1930—the Sugar Bowl patience was rewarded. And the acceptance bolstered hopes of bringing Army and Notre Dame down there eventually.

The Sporting News points out that the Sugar Bowl game on New Year's Day will be the only Bowl contest presenting champions. Navy is an eastern champion and its opponent, Mississippi, is tops in the Southeastern Conference.

A big inducement the Sugar Bowl can offer, said Digby, is that its pay check generally is about \$160,000. An independent school, he said, gets to keep it all.

For Gene Woodling, there's no complaint about disappointment or unhappiness over being traded by the Yankees to the Orioles. In a recent talk, says The Sporting News, Woodling said this: "I've been traded several times before, and the trades have always been beneficial to me. I think this one will help me, too." Now 32, Wood-

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A 2/C ANDREW BIDEN, who was named Honor Airman of the Month in September of the 85th Radio Squadron Mobile (L) serving in Europe. Graduated from Gould Academy in 1952, he is the son of George T. Biden of Mexico.

MARRIED

In Locke Mills, Dec. 1, by Rev. Charles Pendleton, Harmon H. Cummings Jr. of Portsmouth, Va., and Miss Nancy Cummings of Burlington, Vt.

In Norway, Nov. 24, by Rev. Luke Chabot, Gordon Howe of Fort Dix, N. J., and Miss Joan Cornell of South Paris.

In Bethel, Nov. 27, by Rev. Charles Pendleton, Frank Campbell of South Paris and Mrs. Christine K. Hill of Bryant Pond.

DIED

In Lewiston, Dec. 10, Mrs. Arthur H. Brown of Milton, aged 53 years.

In Bethel, Dec. 15, Mrs. Arthur B. Ramsdell, aged 76 years.

ling says he feels young and strong and hopes to play regularly for the Orioles.

CUMMINGS - CUMMINGS

In the presence of the members of the immediate families on Wednesday, December 1st, Miss Nancy Cummings of Burlington, Vt., formerly of Bethel, became the bride of Harmon H. Cummings, Jr., SC2c, of Portsmouth, Va., formerly of Locke Mills.

Rev. Charles Pendleton, pastor of the Bethel Congregational Church, performed the double ring service, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Cummings of Locke Mills, at 8 o'clock in the evening.

The bride wore a street length gown of white tulle with a corsage of pink roses. Mrs. Ruth Sorofman of Rumford, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor and wore dusty rose nylon with a corsage of yellow carnations. Philip Cummings of Locke Mills served his brother as best man.

The bride's mother wore navy blue and a corsage of red carnations.

The wedding cake, which was made by Mrs. Eleanor Morton, sister of the bride, was cut and served by the bride and groom. Mrs. Philip Cummings and Mrs. Arthur Cummings served punch and sandwiches.

Mrs. Cummings is the daughter of Nellie S. Cummings of Burlington, Vt., and Earl O. Cummings of Bethel. She attended Bethel schools and graduated from Gould Academy in 1951. She is also a graduate of Burlington Business College of Burlington, Vt., and prior to her marriage was employed as secretary to Julian Goodrich, architect, of that city.

Mr. Cummings, the son of Mrs. Mildred Chamberlain of Massachusetts, and Harmon Cummings of Locke Mills, attended Locke Mills and Bethel schools and is now in the U. S. Navy stationed at Portsmouth, Va.

After a short wedding trip they went to Portsmouth, Va., where they will make their home.



BROWNIE TROOP 6

Brownie Troop No. 6 met Tuesday December 14 with ten present. We enjoyed a Christmas party by exchanging presents and eating candy and pop-corn. We played games and sang Christmas carols. A good time was had by all. Hostesses for our next meeting, which will be January 4, will be Norma and Cindy. The Brownies would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Brownie Troop 7 met Tuesday afternoon for a Christmas party. Refreshments were served by Terry Parsons and Linda Lowell. Game prizes were won by Barbara Hutchinson and Louann Brown. Gifts were exchanged.

Pine Tree Patrol, Girl Scouts, met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Elsie Waldron with 14 members and three leaders present. A skit, "Christmas in Many Lands," was presented, with the following Scouts participating: Elizabeth Waldron, Susan Boynton, Carol Keonle, Diana Bennett, Evelyn Sprague, Nancy Cole. Refreshments were served by Nancy Saunders and Beth Brown.

"Most of the things you learn by experience are things you should never learn at all!"—Derek Wingrave.

News of 4-H CLUBS

HAPPY HERDSMEN 4-H CLUB

On December 1, the Happy Herdsmen 4-H Club met at the Legion Rooms with their parents for a parents' meeting. The meeting was called to order by President Nancy Davis. We gave the 4-H Pledge and the Pledge to the Flag and sang "America." It was decided to have our meetings at each other's houses. Charlie Merrill and Phillip Korhonen, were chosen to decide where each meeting for the following year should be held. It was then moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. After the meeting a Christmas party was held. Games and refreshments were enjoyed by all and gifts were exchanged by the club members. Respectfully submitted, Betsy Chapman, secretary.

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Sixteen people crashed during the week of December 13-19. Eleven same month last year. Listed among drivers, four pedestrians. The nine drivers were in their thirties. Fatalities came after dark, two accidents.

Here is a table of last year's accidents:

Total persons killed: 16
Total fatal accidents: 16
Total persons injured: 16
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We are now most dangerous from the traffic month of December. Some of the factors to make this a dangerous time are: the confusion in preparation, definitely a factor is created by mail, ing, mailing, crowds, window preparations etc. Then, too, tend to increase drinking by both motorists. Obvious factor is the

Speed too fast so enters into rush of holiday play to be reflected. Hurry on the road, serious mistakes, of year, it is because of adverse road conditions, ability.

Remember these when you drive and you walk. Have Christmas.

MRS. SELINA J.

Mrs. Selina J. died Saturday at home of her daughter, Couffineau, in Wells.

Born at Temple, daughter of Nehemiah Haines, who attended Temple schools and prior to her marriage was born in 1886.

Mrs. Sanborn was

Weld Congregation

the Maine Three-

Club.

She is survived

by H. Weld; four

children, A. J. J. J. J.

Mrs. Mabel And

Mrs. Lester Murph

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